

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
LOK SABHA**

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Import of Nutmeg

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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

- (a) the total quantity and value of nutmeg imported into the country during the last three years and the current year;
- (b) whether the import of nutmeg has adversely affected the market and local price of nutmeg;
- (c) if so, the details thereof along with the reaction of the Government thereto; and
- (d) the present stand of the Government on the import of nutmeg?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (INDEPENDENT CHARGE)
(SMT. NIRMALA SITHARAMAN)

(a): Import of nutmeg, quantity wise and value wise, during the last three years and current year (April to May, 2016) is as under:

Year Qty (Ton) Value (Million USD)

2013-14 1225.30 9.58

2014-15 397.65 3.55

2015-16 493.85 3.02

2016-17 (April-May) 8.00 0.04

Note: Figures for 2015-16 and 2016-17 (April to May) are provisional.

(b) & (c): In recent years the import of nutmeg has been significantly below the 2013-14 level, which indicates diminishing impact on the domestic market.

(d): Import policy for nutmeg is 'free'.

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